



Schooner John. E. Smith August 4th 1851
Monday 4th August 1851

At 8 AM got underway in company
with the Schooner Marcia found John Williams and John
Jones had run away Joseph Briggs and John Allen came on board in
their place William Steward came on board in the place of Dudley
& Choat that was sent on board of Marcia at 12 M discharged
the Pilot off Montauk So Ends The Wind NE
Tuesday 5th Aug

The first part fresh gale from NE with rain
and fog steering SE at six PM every thing snug Sails Southerly
middle part the wind moderated and veered to N latter part
light airs and calms So Ends Marcia in sight Obs Lat 40. 37 N
Long by Chro 71 00 West

Wednesday 6th

Begins with light airs from N: went on board the M
middle part light airs latter calm and foggy So Ends
Employed stowing Anchors and chains Obs Lat 40 19 Long by C 70 21 West

Thursday 7th

The first and middle light baffling airs from
various quarters latter part light baffling airs from westward
employed fitting a Boal bent the Squaresail & went on board
of the Marcia saw severall Sails Set's Course E. S. E. So Ends
Obs Lat 40 14 N
Long by Chro 70 09 West

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Friday 8 Aug 1851

The first part light air from S.W.
middle and latter strong breeze Stearing E by S by S
employed fitting a Boat I saw the M^o Ols Lat 39.56
Long by Chro 66.45 W

Saturday 9th

The first part fresh breeze from W. S. W.
middle part strong breeze and squally with Thunder and
lightning Schooner under Short Sail latter part strong
breeze Stearing E. S. E. So Ends Spoke the M^o
Ols Lat 39.38 N
Long by Chro 64.11 W

Sunday 10th

The first part strong breeze from S.W.
middle part strong breeze with heavy squalls latter
strong baffling winds from N to N.W. Course E. S. E.
Spoke the M^o So Ends Ols Lat 38.58 N Long by C. 60.24 W
Monday 11th

The first part light air from N. V. W. middle part
light breeze from N. latter fresh breeze from S. V. E. found
the Gal. stay badly chaffed refitted it and set it up
Schooners Course E. The M^o in sight So Ends Ols Lat 39.40
Long by Chro 58.56 W

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Sunday 12th August 1851

The first part light breeze from N.E. Middle part light breeze from N. latter fresh breeze from N.W. steering E by S. at 8 AM saw the Rick of a small vessel bottom up saw two sails gained with the Marcia So Ends Obs Lat 39.44 Long by Chron 58.52 W.

Wednesday 13th

The first part fresh breeze from N.W. Middle part from N.E. latter strong breeze from N steering E by S. S gained with the M. So Ends Obs Lat 39.49 Long by Chron 58.29

Thursday 14th

The first part fresh breeze from N.W. Middle part the wind N. latter part light from N.W. steering E by S. run through side rips saw two sails steering westward So Ends saw the M. Obs Lat 39.45 N Long by Chron 58.27 W.

Friday 15th

The first part fresh breeze from the westward run through strong side rips Middle part calm and a heavy sea latter light breeze from S.W. looked for Blackfish without success saw the M. Course E by S So Ends Obs Lat 39.52 Long by Chron 58.40

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Saturday 16th August 1851

Begins with a light breeze from S. S. W. at 4 P.M. the wind increased middle part strong gale with rain thunder and Lightning Schooner under double reefs latter the wind S. W. the gale continues course S. E. by E. Lat by Act 39. 45 Long 45 00 W.

Sunday 17th

Through out strong gale with thunder and Lightning and rain squalls (at 4 P.M. spoke the Bark Marie of Cherbourg France with her three topmasts gone hanging by the rigging) course S. E. by E. Lat 40 30 Long by Chro 43. 16 West

Monday 18th

Begins with a strong gale from S. W. at 8 P.M. the wind died away and veered to N. sudden middle light breeze so the light airs from N. W. steering S. E. by E. Obs Lat 40. 29 N Long by Chro 40 15 W

Tuesday 19

Begins with a light breeze from N. N. W. at 4 P.M. spoke the Herald of N. B. 28 days out clear having seen Sperm whales for two days was cruising middle part calm at 4 A.M. a breeze sprang up from S. W. Ends with a fresh breeze course S. E. by E. the M in sight Obs Lat 40. 10 N Long by 37. 36 by Lunar 37. 13 West

Wednesday 20th

Throughout S.W. Winds first part fresh middle and latter light Steaming S.C. by 6. latter part broke out the fore hole So Ends saw the M. Obs Lat 39.44 Long by 633.21

Thursday 21

Throughout fresh breeze from S.W. Steaming S.C. by 8 gained with the M. saw one Sail So Ends Obs Lat 39.30 Long by 630 12 11.

Friday 22

Begins with a light breeze from S.W. at 1 P.M. raised the Island of Flores bearing E.S.E. 40 Miles Dist saw two Barks at sunset hove to of the ~~south~~ side of the Island at 11 P.M. the wind veered to N. latter part run off for the Island the wind baffling with rain squalls and a heavy Sea So Ends

Saturday 23^d

Begins with a light air from N to N.W. standing in for between the ~~Land~~ Islands at 3 P.M. was forced to hire a boat to tow in of a heavy Sea setting us towards the Land at 5 took a light breeze from N. shortened our course for Fayall remainder light air from N. Steaming S.C. the M. in company So Ends

Sunday 24th August 1851

Begins with light airs and Calms at 5 P.M. Capt Smith of the B.K. Mary Gardner of S.H. came on board at sunset went back with him bought some Sotth for Boat Sails middle light airs and Calms found Paris Soto incapable of doing his duty turned him forward took John Allen in his place latter part light airs from southward So Ends the M in sight Obsd 34. 13 Long 30 08

Monday 25th

Throughout light airs from S with Calms, the M in sight

Tuesday 26th

(Payell)

Throughout fresh breeze from S.W. at 4 P.M. raised the Land at 8 A.M. landed on the N side with Capt Church got 6 Men & a Boy Joseph Briggs run away at 12 M came off steered for St George

Wednesday 27th

Begins with a strong breeze from S.W. at 3 P.M. spoke the Element of S.H. went on board got some Boat Buckets & Lantern boy & C Horace Atwood got drunk with John Sullivan and would not obey orders middle part baffling winds with heavy squalls with lightning latter part light airs went on board of the Element got a Robstary

Thursday 28th

Throughout light airs from S.E. working up between the S.H.s at 8 A.M. a boat with the Port Capt came off went on shore got 5 Men and left three having one more than the complement unintentionally middle part working up for Treecia latter saw a large Sperm whale going S.E. quick So Ends the M in sight

Friday 29th August 1857

Throughout moderate breeze from S.E. at 6 came off with the men and bore up for Terceira latter saw a large Sperm whale going quick, &c. So ends the M in company

Saturday 30th

Throughout light airs from S.E.

Sunday 31st

Throughout light airs at 2 P.M. bore to off Angra. S. went inshore but could do nothing at 6 returned lay off and on through the night at 8 A.M. went in again So ends

Monday 1st September 1857.

Throughout light baffling airs from S.E. Course S by W. got our recruits & proceeded on the voyage

Tuesday 2^d

Throughout light baffling winds from Eastward steering by the wind at 12 M the Island of St Michael bore S.E. Dist 25 miles the M in sight

Wednesday 3^d

The first part light airs from S.E. Middle & latter fresh breeze from N steering S by W the M in sight Obs Lat 36.14 N Long by 6.23.26

Thursday 4th

Throughout fresh breeze from N Course S by W $\frac{1}{2}$ W saw two sails the M in sight so ends Obs Lat 34 36 N Long by 6.23.24, W

Friday 5th Sept 1851

Throughout light airs from N steering S by N $\frac{1}{2}$ W under easy
Sail waiting for the M. Saw two sails Obs Lat 33.18 N Long by G 23.29

Saturday 6th

The first part light airs from N Course S by N $\frac{1}{2}$ W Middle light airs
from S.E. latter fresh breeze from S the M in sight Obs Lat 32.47 Long by G 25.49

Sunday 7th Throughout light baffling airs Obs Lat 32.06 Long by G 26.05 W

Monday 8th Throughout the same Obs Lat 31.29 N Long by G 26.04 W

Tuesday 9th Throughout light airs from N steering S by W the M in
sight hull down So Ends Obs Lat 30.39 N Long by G 25.59

Wednesday 10th Throughout light airs from N steering S by W the
M in sight So Ends Obs Lat 29.18 Long by G 25.46 W

Thursday 11th Begins with light breeze from N.W. Middle light breeze from
N with rain squalls latter fresh breeze from N.W. the M in
sight saw one other sail Obs Lat 27.38 N Long by G 25.24

Friday 12th The first and middle lights come. N.W. latter light
breeze from S.W. steering by the wind the M out of sight
appear So Ends Obs Lat 26.31 North Long by G 25.02 W

Saturday 13th Begins with light air from S.W. middle and latter
light airs from W. steering S.S.W. the M in sight
astern So Ends Obs Lat 24.36 N Long by G 24.42 W

Sunday 14th Throughout light airs and calms gained with the M
So Ends Obs Lat 24.24 N Long by G 24.49 W

Monday 15th Throughout fresh Trades from N.E. Course S.S.W.
the M in sight Obs Lat 21.54 S Long by G 25.04 W

Tuesday 16th Sept

Throughout fresh N.E. Trades (Course S.P. 11. the Marcia
in sight So Ends Obs Lat^t 18. 04, N Long by C 25. 27 West

Wednesday 17th Throughout fresh Trades steering S.P.W. at 10 AM
raised the S^h of St Anthony bearing S by East 18 miles. Dist
found the Chro, had gained 24 (Lee), on her rate So Ends

Thursday 18th The first part light baffling air from various quarter
latter fresh Trades Course S the M in sight Lat 15.30 Long 23.03 W

Friday 19th Begins with fresh breeze from E.N.E. middle light latter
fresh breeze from the same quarter at 9 AM raised the S^h of
Bravo bearing S.E. 20 miles Dist the M in sight So Ends

Saturday 20th Begins with light air from E.S.E. Lord for Black
fish struck and drew Middle light air from E with rain
squalls latter light air exchanged Coals with one English
Brig the M in sight Obs Lat^t 13.48 North Long by Chro 24, 25 W

Sunday 21. Throughout light air from the Northward at 5 PM
lost sight of the M saw one Sail. Course S. So Ends

Monday 22. Throughout light breeze from N steering S Middle

equally the M in sight Obs Lat^t 11.24 N Long by Chro 23, 50 W

Tuesday 23. The first part light air from N Course S. Middle squ
latter light air from S. saw two sails but nothing of the M So Ends

Obs Lat^t 11.00 N Long by Chro 23.40

Wednesday 24th September 1857

The first part light breeze from S Course

Middle fresh breeze from W. latter light airs from S.W. with much rain saw nothing of the M. No Obs

Thursday 25th Begins with light airs from S.W. Middle light from W. latter light breeze from N with squalls Course S. by E.

Friday 26th Throughout Obs Satt S. 59 Long by C 22, 29 W

light breeze from S steering S. by E. So Ends

Saturday 27th Obs Satt 7.44 Long by C 21, 29 W

Begins with light breeze fresh breeze from S.W. steering by the wind middle light breeze latter light airs from S with much rain No Obs

Sunday 28th The first and middle parts dead calm with a heavy swell from S. all sail in at 5 AM took a light air made sail latter light airs from N. with steady rain at 10 AM raised sperm whales alongside lored and struck at 12 AM took one along side Obs Satt 6.15 Long by etc 20. 30

Monday 29th Throughout light breeze from N.W. the first part employed fitting cutting gear lay by through the night latter rain steady cut the whale

Tuesday 30th Begins with light air from S.W. put the Blubber in Cases latter middle fresh breeze with heavy squalls from S.W.

latter part fresh breeze from N with a very heavy southerly swell at 10 AM carried away jib on block stays hove to to repair when the deck rope of the Foresail parted and split the sail across the foot So Ends steady rain

Wednesday 1st October 1851

- Throughout light airs and Calms
with a heavy swell repaired the Stays & latter part employed
mincing Blubber saw one Sail So Ends Obs Lat^t 5.35 Long by C 18.39 W.
- Thursday 2nd Begins with calm at 4 P.M. took a light breeze from S.W.
Middle part light breeze at 4 A.M. veered to S. latter fresh breeze
with a rough sea on different Sacks employed mincing saw two Sails
- Friday 3rd Throughout strong breeze from S. on the Eastern Sack
employed repairing Foresail So Ends Lat^t by Oct 5.18 Long by Act 16.26
Obs Lat^t 5.15 N Long by Chro 18.38 W.
- Saturday 4th Throughout the same repaired Mainsail & Flying Jib
Lat^t by Oct 5.07 Long by Act 15.00
- Sunday 5th Throughout strong breeze from the southward steering by the
wind Eastward at 11 1/2 A.M. carried the Bob & Jib Stays again So Ends
Obs Lat^t 4.47 N Long by Chro 13.43 West
- Monday 6th Throughout strong breeze from southward the first part heading
eastward repaired the Bob and Jib Stays as well as we could middle &
latter heading westward carried the Martingail Stay lashed it together
and set it up So Ends Obs Lat^t 4.33 N Long by Chro 14.11 W.
- Tuesday 7th Throughout fresh breeze from southward heading westward
on a wind So Ends saw one Sail Obs Lat^t 4.25 N Long by Chro 15.17 W.
- Wednesday 8th Throughout fresh breeze from the southward the first part
westward middle and latter heading eastward saw two Sails heading
the same way So Ends Obs Lat^t 4.02 N Long by Chro 13.55 West

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- Thursday 9th Throughout fresh breeze from southward the first part on the Eastern Sack Middle and latter on the other Squally. Throughout saw one Sail Obs Lat. 3³² North Long by G. 14²⁵
- Friday 10th Throughout the same on different Sack Obs S. 3⁰⁶ Long by G. 15³⁵
- Saturday 11th Throughout fresh breeze from S on the western Sack saw one Sail So Ends Obs Lat. 2⁴³ N Long by G. 16⁴⁴
- Sunday 12th The first part light breeze bore to and repaired the Bobstay again Middle and fresh breeze from S heading N.E. 40
- Monday 13th So Ends Obs Lat. 2¹¹ N Long by G. 17⁴⁵
Throughout fresh breeze from S heading N.E. 40
- Tuesday 14th So Ends Obs Lat. 1²⁷ N Long by G. 19¹⁷
Throughout fresh breeze from S.E. steering S.E. So Ends
- Wednesday 15th Obs Lat. 00. 28 North Long by G. 20. 13 4.
Throughout fresh S.E. Trades Course S by G. Obs Lat. 0 25 South Long 20. 49
- Thursday 16th Throughout the same So Ends Obs Lat. 1 40 S Long by G. 21 48 16
- Friday 17th Fresh Trades throughout Lat. 3. 19 S Long by G. 22 16 00
- Saturday 18th Fresh Trades continues steering S.E. Lat. 4. 53 S Long 22. 36 00
- Sunday 19th The same steering S by G. Obs Lat. 6. 38 Long by G. 23 00 00
- Monday 20th Throughout fresh Trades from S.E. saw two sails Obs S. 8 08 Long 23. 29
- Tuesday 21th Throughout fresh Trades from S.E. Course S.E. Lat. 9 38 Long 23. 58
- Wednesday 22th The first & Middle fresh Trades from S.E. latter from E.S.E. steering S. So Ends Obs Lat. 11. 38 S. Long by G. 24. 02 00
- Thursday 23th Throughout fresh breeze from eastward steering S by G. & E. saw one Sail Obs Lat. 13. 00 S Long by G. 23 33 4

Friday 24th Oct 1851.

Throughout light breeze from E.N.E. steering
S by E. & E. saw one Sail Obs Lat 14.18 South Long by C. 22.40 W.

Saturday 25th

Throughout the same steering S by E. Obs Lat 15.30 S Long by 22.00

Sunday 26th

Throughout light breeze from N.E. Obs Lat 17.14 Long 21.36 West
Monday 27, Throughout the same Obs Lat 18.45 S Long by C. 21.00 W.

Tuesday 28, First and middle parts light airs and calms latter part
fresh breeze from S steering by the wind see Obs Lat 19.36 Long 20.48

Wednesday 29, Throughout light breeze from eastward steering S saw one
Sail So Ends Obs Lat 20.50 South Long by C. 20.36 West.

Thursday 30 Throughout light breeze from S.E. by S. steering by wind.
saw two Sails So Ends Obs Lat 22.00 S Long by C. 20.49 West

Friday 31 Throughout fresh breeze from S.S.E. steering by the wind S.S.W.

Saturday 1 November So Ends Obs Lat 23.15 S Long by C. 21.41 W.

Sunday 2^d

The first fresh breeze from S.S.E. middle and latter from S.E.
steering S by W. So Ends Obs Lat 25.15 S Long by C. 21.43 W.

Throughout light breeze from N.E. to N steering S by E so Ends

Monday 3^d

Saw one Sail Obs Lat 26.30 S Long by C. 21.15 W.

Throughout light breeze from S.W.E. to N.N.W. steering S by E.

Tuesday 4th

Saw one Sail Obs Lat 28.44 S Long by C. 20.50 W.

Throughout light airs and rain squalls from S.W.E. to N.N.W.
steering S by E. saw one Sail So Ends

Lat by Act 28.30 S Long 20.30 West

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Wednesday 5 November 1851

- Thursday 6th Throughout light airs with rain squalls from the Northward steering S by E 1/2 E. Obs Lat 22. 22 N. 18. 50 W.
Friday 7th Through strong breeze from E. steering S by E So Ends
Obs Lat 31. 41 S Long by Chron 18. 00 W.
Saturday 8th Throughout strong gale from E N E. to N E steering S S E
So Ends Obs Lat 34. 21 S Long by Chron 17. 05 W.
Sunday 9th Throughout storm gale from N E. to N N E steering S E 1/2 E
So Ends Obs 36. 25 S Long by Chron 14. 25 W.
Monday 10th Throughout strong gale from N with fog and rain at 6 P.M.
Spoke the B K Black Eagle of S H Sloan, middle part steered
E by S. latter part steering S E 1/2 S. at 12 M raised Tristan Da
Cunha bearing E. by S 5 miles Dist so ends Obs 37. 05 Long
Tuesday 11th Begins with a strong gale with heavy squalls from N W in down
past the Isk found the Chron 2 minutes to Slow middle and
latter strong gale with rain from N W. Course S E 1/2 E So Ends
Obs Lat by Act 32. 40. Long 8. 43 W.
Wednesday 12th Begins with a strong gale from N W steering E. S. E. at 7 P.M.
the rain ceased to W and dropt off sudden middle part calm &
a rough Sea all sail in light airs from S E. at 10 made
sail so ends Obs Lat 32. 38 S Long by Chron 8. 10 W.

Wednesday 12th November 1854

Begins with a light air from E at 4 P.M. it veered to N.E.
steering S.E. by E. Middle light baffling winds from westward carried away
the Fore Gaff latter part light breeze from S.W. fitted a New Gaff
So Ends Obs Lat 38.11 S Long by Chron 6.43 West

Thursday 13th

Begins with a fresh breeze from N.E. steering S.E. by E. Middle fresh
gale with squalls latter fresh breeze Obs Lat 38.38 Long by Chron 3.24 West

Friday 14th

Begins with light airs from N Middle light baffling airs and Calms
So Ends Obs Lat 38.54 S Long by Act 3.00 West

Saturday 15

Begins with light baffling airs and Calms at 9 P.M. took
a breeze from S at 4 it increased with black clouds and sharp
lightning doubled reefed Mainsails took in the Flying jib Middle part
strong gale with rain, Course E. by N. At 12 M carried the Flying jib
stay fastening and the Back rope fastening Obs Lat 36.52 S Long by Chron 2.22.10
I have come to the Conclusion that it is unsafe to pass the Cape in the
situation that we are in at present so I have made up my mind to stop
there and get the necessary work done I suppose that there will be some
that will say it is unnecessary but I shall. (under the present circumstances)
allow myself to be the best judge for I believe that it is not possible for
me to ~~secure~~ secure the Boomsprit and jibboom situated as I am I know
that we are losing oil every day that we are detained but I fear that
we should never get there if we did not secure our head Gear

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Sunday 16th Nov. Begins with a fresh gale from S.S. W. Schr. how to repairing head gear not being able to do it properly we secured it as best we could and bore away for the Cape Course
E. Middle part strong breeze from S. latter calm and a heavy

Monday 17th Sea So Ends Old Batt 36. 09 S Long by G. 1. 13 East.
The first part calm with a heavy sea Middle fresh breeze from N.E. latter part strong gale from N.N.E. steering E.S.E. Double reefed
Sails split the Foresail So Ends Batt by Oct 36. 20. Long 3 40 East.

Tuesday 18th Begins with a strong gale from N.N.E. veering to N how to
from 1. M. to 3. (being a heavy sea) for fear of carrying away the
head gear. saw a large B. K. steering about S.E. Middle light
breeze from N.W. with a heavy sea from N.N.E. latter part light
breeze from N.N.W. steering E by S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. Batt by Oct 36. 30 Long 5. 00 East.

Wednesday 19th Throughout light breeze from N.W. to N.N.W. steering
E by S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. So Ends Old Batt 36. 22 S Long by G. 6. 49 East.

Thursday 20th The first part light breeze from N.N.W. Middle strong from
N latter part fresh gale steering E by S $\frac{1}{2}$ S. Sails reefed
So Ends saw whale feed Old Batt by Oct 36. 12 Long 10. 10 E

Friday 21st November 1857

Begins with a strong gale from N at 4 P.M. it veered to
N.N.W. at 7 to N.W. having a very Sea hove to under double
Foresail and Gypsail Middle heavy gale from N.W. to W. with a
very rough Sea at 8 A.M. ~~it~~ carried the jib boom away hauled
it in and kept off under Squaresail having split the Foresail.
latter strong gale with squalls Course by L. Obs Lat 35.48, Long 11. 15 E









